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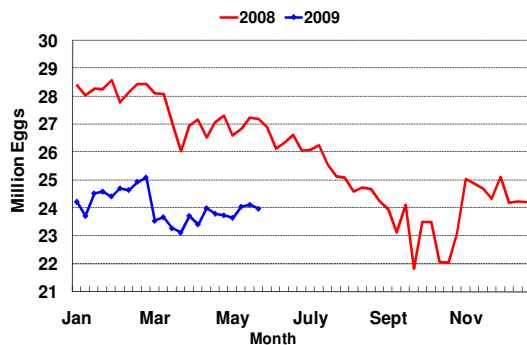
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 7 Percent from Last Year

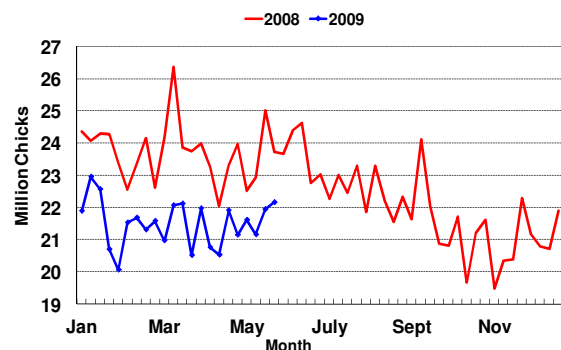
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.2 million during the week ending May 30, 2009. Placements were down 7 percent from the comparable week in 2008 but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 30, 2009, down 12 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, May 2, 2009 - May 30, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	2-May	9-May	16-May	23-May	30-May	2-May	9-May	16-May	23-May	30-May
<i>Thousand</i>										
Alabama	29,533	29,362 *	29,867	29,892	29,837	20,352	21,084 *	20,755	20,860	20,194
Arkansas	23,739	23,649 *	24,049	24,116	23,971	21,156	21,626	21,171	21,957 *	22,177
Delaware	3,615	3,579	3,760	3,624 *	3,587	5,033	4,850	5,346	5,057 *	4,835
Florida	994	995	992	992	1,081	695	821	870	718	715
Georgia	31,673	31,659	32,085	31,618	31,845	27,251	26,110 *	25,906 *	26,611	26,780
Kentucky	7,804 *	7,961 *	7,589	8,098 *	8,202	6,067	6,769	5,968	6,806 *	6,871
Louisiana	2,230	2,230	2,230	2,245	2,260	1,902	1,888	1,902	1,917	1,933
Maryland	8,799	8,700	8,803	8,870	8,599	6,088	6,451	5,834	5,584 *	6,486
Mississippi	17,456	18,367 *	18,587	18,372	18,593	16,693	16,072	16,311	15,625	16,324
N. Carolina	18,629	18,806 *	18,388	18,368	18,513	15,639	15,659	15,284	15,475	15,932
Oklahoma	7,002	7,081 *	6,667	6,683	6,749	4,931	4,417	4,701	3,784 *	4,254
Pennsylvania	3,805	4,182	3,667	3,863 *	3,764	3,105	3,098	3,095	3,005 *	3,319
S. Carolina	5,714	5,905	5,629	5,594	5,831	4,768	5,862	5,019	5,085	4,858
Texas	14,500	15,134	15,363	15,501	15,779	13,001	13,340	12,991	12,618	13,394
Virginia	6,283	6,381	6,401	6,272 *	6,285	4,562	4,996	5,129	5,365 *	4,556
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,319	19,913	19,996	18,803 *	19,663	16,713	16,605	17,378	16,800 *	16,966
19 State Total	201,095 *	203,904 *	204,073	202,911 *	204,559	167,956	169,648 *	167,660 *	167,267 *	169,594
Prev. Year Total	214,943	215,106	218,063	217,208	216,910	178,080	177,253	175,827	177,324	177,037
% of Prev. Year	94	95	94	93	94	94	96	95	94	96

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 30, 2009. This was down 6 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 30, 2009. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through May 30, 2009 were 3.69 billion, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.